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BY E-FILEING

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications & Energy
One South Station
2nd Floor
Boston, MA 02110

Re: Complaint of WorldCom Technologies, Inc., D.T.E. 97-116
Complaint of Global NAPs, Inc. with respect to reciprocal compensation, D.T.E 99-39

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Pursuant to the Hearing Officer Notice electronically distributed today, this letter is filed on behalf of XO Massachusetts, Inc. ("XO") to support the Joint Motion of Global Naps, Inc. ("GNAPS") and MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. ("MCI-WC") to Amend Procedural Schedule and Extend the Time for Filing Briefs. GNAPS and MCI-WC are certainly correct that, should the Department's stay be granted or the proceeding otherwise does not go forward, the briefing will be unnecessary and parties should be spared the expense of unnecessary briefing. Further, briefing these issues at the same time as the Department's appeal of the Federal District Court ruling is pending may tend to confuse matters procedurally. Additionally, as "this matter involves issues with substantial financial stakes," it is entirely appropriate and helpful for parties (at a minimum) to be able to review the filing for Stay (and the Court's ruling thereon) and be able to address any matters therein in their briefing. Especially in light of the stakes involved, the Department should allow the additional time to help ensure that all parties have had the reasonable opportunity to address these important issues fully.

Very truly yours,

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cc: Paula Foley, Esq., Hearing Officer
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